## Climate, Energy & Local Assistance

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# About the Institute for Local Government

- Founded 1955
- 501(c)(3) Research and education arm of:
  - League of California Cities
     (Represents all 479 cities)
  - California State Association of Counties (Represents all 58 counties)

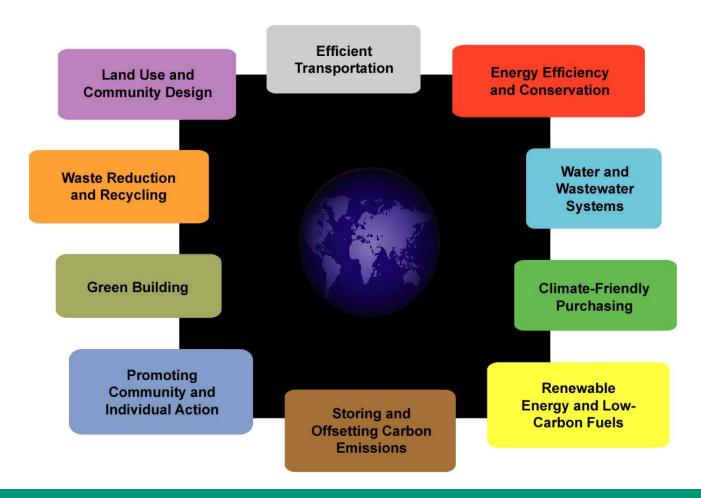


## **ILG Program Areas**

- -Climate Change
- -Collaborative Governance Initiative
- -Land Use & Environment
- Communities for Healthy Kids
- Local Government 101
- Public Service Ethics



#### **Climate Leadership Opportunity Areas**





# "Overall, do you think your local government is doing more than enough, just enough, or not enough to address global warming?"

	_	REGION					- Likely
	All Adults	Central Valley	San Francisco Bay Area	Los Angeles	Orange/ San Diego	Inland Empire	Voters
More than enough	9%	10%	7%	8%	12%	6%	12%
Just enough	31%	34%	33%	25%	30%	33%	31%
Not enough	52%	49%	50%	58%	49%	54%	48%
Don't know	8%	7%	10%	9%	9%	7%	9%

Source: Californians and the Environment — Statewide Survey, Public Policy Institute of

California, July 2008



# ACHIEVING VOLUNTARY 15% GHG REDUCTIONS IN SCOPING PLAN

#### **ILG** offers:

- best practices
- information sharing & peer networking
- recognition for leading by example



## **Best Practices Represent**

- Ways to reduce energy use & save money
- Good government
- Good planning
- Ways to save resources and …



### ... ways to:

- Reduce GHG emissions in agency facilities and the community
- Demonstrate that cities and counties can lead by example



## **Key to Best Practices**

- Flexibility to fit local circumstances
- One size does not fit all
- Encourage local creativity and action
  - -local decision-makers play key role



## JOINT ILG-ARB & ILG-IWMB PROJECTS

#### **Expand CCAN best practices:**

- ☑ Civic engagement and climate change
- ☑ Land use and community design
- **☑** Efficient transportation
- **☑** Green building
- ☑ Waste reduction & recycling



#### **ILG SB 375 PROJECT**

#### Joint effort of 3 ILG programs:

- Publications & tools for local officials
- SB 375 web portal & resources
- Develop and educate local leadership on regional SB 375 implementation
- Input by local officials to state on opportunities & needs
- Support from League, CSAC, CalTrans



# Near-Term State Assistance to Support SB 375 Implementation

- Planning TA & grants: SGC, OPR, other
- Strategic investments aligned with SB 375, AB 857 priorities
- Research & education:
  - Lessons from Blueprint planning
  - Public participation best practices
  - Document & share effective local strategies



## **ILG WEBSITE:**

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